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April 1st is the deadline to apply for real estate tax relief for elderly property owners age 65 (by Dec 31st) or older, or for those totally and permanently disabled – Call the Commissioner of Revenue's office at 403-5131. ICMA EMPLOYEE MEETING ON APRIL 21, 2011 COUNCIL CHAMBERS 9 - 11AM & CITY SHOP 12:30 - 1:30 PM 2 Martinsville Speedway qualifying for Sunday's race and the Kroger 250 April 2nd and 23rd Lake Sugar Tree AARA Moonlight Stadium Cross								
Park Shelter Re	ntals for all group	gatherings - Call 403-	5140 to reserve on o		Centre \$5 per person	series - Gate opens 1pm		
3 Martinsville Speedway "Goody's 500"	4 Seniors Mystery Breakfast Call for details 103-5260 Apr 4 — May 16 6-7PM Basic Dog Obedience School, [ages 12 wks-7yrs] Armory; \$60 fee Deadline to register w/Parks&Rec for City Empl Golf	5 Payment deadline for Seniors' trip to Wohlfahrt Haus DinnerTheatre in Wytheville, to see AMERICAN BANDSTAND on May 26th Cost \$70 per person Call 403-5260	6 Employees' Breakfast with City Manager 7:30am Retirement Education Seminar 8AM-12PM and Group Counseling Session I-3:30PM at Central Virginia Comm College, Lynchburg	7	8 6:30pm Music Night at Spencer-Penn "Witcher Creek Band; Cold River Bluegrass; Sweetwater"	9 Sons of the Confederate living history demonstrations at the MHC Heritage Center & Museum (Old Courthouse) 8:30am-4pm Memorial Service at 2:00pm 7:30pm at MHS Piedmont Arts on Stage! presents "Beatlegras"		
National Library Week 4/10-16 Deadline to register -Youth Baseball Bash Tourn. 4/16-17	Deadline to sign up for Nature Camp April 19-22 \$20 per child	Author Tom Perry's Everett M. Bennett Book Launch at Spencer-Penn Ctr. 9am-5pm Tue-Sat 7:30pm City Council meeting	Home School Wednesday "Properties of the Earth" 10am VMNH	14 OPEN HOUSE Dick & Willie Trail Call 403-5260 if you plan to attend; meet at gazebo-12 noon	15	16 8am Checkers'Mutt Strut &Bike Ride —M'vlle Speedway 9:45am Earth Day 5K Indian Trail, Parks & Rec Wilderness Survival Class Smith River Adv Outfitters Youth Baseball Bash Tournament 9am Southside Pk 5-8pm Cruise-In @ Big Chair 5:30-9p Bluegrass at the Rives Johnathan Dillon Band,		
17 Palm Sunday 2pm Youth Baseball Bash Tournament Southside Pk	18 IRS FILING DEADLINE Spring Break for City Schools April 18-22	19 City Employee Health Screening Council Chambers 7am-10am Spring Break Nature Camp in Wilson Park Apr 19-22 1-4PM \$20 Fee 7pm Senior Dance "Almost Country" at the Armory	20 10-11am Drop-in Health Screening/Sr. Ctr MHC Garden Club Tour: A Day in the Country Anthem Rep onsite 9:30am City Hall,11am Warehouse, Call #5181 for appt	21 ICMA Rep will be here: CC 9-11am; Shop 12:30-1:30pm Open to active & retirees Henry Co Student &Teacher Holiday Senior Supper Club 5:30pm Clarences,R'way	22 GOOD FRIDAY EARTH DAY Henry Co Student & Teacher Holiday Easter Egg Hunt at Jack Dalton Park Screen on the Green 7pm Hooker Field \$2 TGIF 7:00pm (Farmers Mkt)	23 10am Easter Egg Hunt Southside Pk Free Refreshments AAF TANK MUSEUM 10AM-5PM DANVILLE TODAY & SUNDAY		
24 EASTER	25 Henry Co Student-Teacher Holiday	26 7pm Senlor Dance "Cotton & Country Classle" at the Armory 7:30pm City Council meeting	27 Administrative Professionals Day DoodleBugs! "Bubble Science" VMNH	Budget Presentation to City Council 7:30PM CC Kiwanis Pancake Day	29	30 MS WALK Jack Dalton Park 9am Book Festival at Binding Time Café 10 am until 2 pm 11am "History as a Practical Learning Device" Lecture by Eric J. Richardson at the MHC Heritage Center & Museum (Old Courthouse)		



Starting May 31st

Don't forgetbesides the Coastal Plains League, there is also college, high school and American Legion baseball being played at Hooker Field.



Forest Park Country Club "City Employee Golf League". Free to register; deadline April. Fee: \$9 for 9 holes, including golf cart (once a week per person). Must play 9 holes Tuesday-Thursday and turn in score card to FPCC clubhouse each time you play. Score based on average from April 12-July 14.

2011 William Slate Memorial Scholarship/Fund Drive Everyone who gives at least \$5 will be eligible for a drawing for a free 8-hour vacation day. One chance per individual. Donate by cash or check (payable to "PHCC Foundation") by deadline of April 29th. Our goal is \$500. The drawing will be held May 2nd. All donations are tax deductible and any amount will be appreciated.

APPLICATIONS FOR THIS YEAR'S SCHOLARSHIP will be accepted from Apr 1-May 28; must be submitted on-line at PHCC's website; student must be enrolled full-time, have a GPA of at least 2.5, and be a dependent of a full-time City or Constitutional employee.

Chance to Win a \$25 Kroger Gift Card each Month! Every month this year, one employee will win a \$25 Kroger gift card. The name will be drawn from a pool of all full-time City employees and Constitutionals. The winner for March is Ryan **Emberson, Electric Dept.**

MAY 14 9 am-12:00 Noon Rabies Clinic at the SPCA 132 Joseph Martin Highway Martinsville - Call 638-PAWS



Celebrating April Birthdays

1	MARIETTA	HARMON	SHERIFF - JAIL
2	PAULA	BOWEN	COMMONWEALTHS ATTORNEY
2	BOBBY	SETLIFF	ELECTRIC MAINTENANCE
3	ROBERT	KERRICK	INFORMATION SERVICES
4	TONY	DAVIS	STREET CLEANING
4	DAN	HOWELL	FIRE DEPARTMENT
6	JEREMY	PURVIS	POLICE DEPT
7	DOUGLAS	HUSTON	STREET MAINTENANCE
8	JONATHAN	FRANCE	POLICE DEPT
8	CASEY	WILSON	SHERIFF - JAIL
10	TIM	GARY	SHERIFF - JAIL
12	JONATHAN	FULCHER	POLICE DEPT
12	BONNIE	наммоск	SHERIFF - COURTS
12	LISA	HOLIDAY	ACCOUNTING
14	BERNIE	GRAY	FIRE DEPARTMENT
15	SONYA	PENN	RECREATION
15	GINA	SHELOR	TREASURER
17	TERRY	MARTIN	ELECTRIC CONSTRUCTION
19	RODNEY	LEFTWICH	WATER IMP& FILTRATION
20	ROBBIN	HALL	WPBDC
21	WILBUR	PRESTON	WATER IMP & FILTRATION
24	WILLIAM	CRARY	SHERIFF - JAIL
25	LARRY	WILLIAMS	STREET CLEANING
28	PETE	PETTIE	SHERIFF - COURTS
28	ROGER	SHELOR	CENTRAL GARAGE
29	YVONNE	GRAVELY	HOUSING/COMMUNITY DEV
30	JIMMY	ASHWORTH	FIRE DEPARTMENT

April Service Milestones

Anthony Beal Fire Dept Charles Anderson **Traffic Signals** 15 Years Mike Martin Custodian 10 Years



Congratulations! -To Brian Mabe (Public Works) and Susan Hudgins on their marriage March 3rd. Brian is the son of Mike Mabe in the Electric Dept. -To Donald Lucado (Fire) and his wife Melissa on the birth of their baby boy, Ryan Timothy Lucado, on March 18th. Ryan weighed 4 lbs. 15 oz. -And, congrats to Jimmy Rigney, Electric Dept. on his recent marriage.

Our Condolences: To Jay Collins (Public Works) on the loss of his mother, Viola H. Collins, on March 21. To Sheila Clark (Treasurer's Office) on the loss of her father, John Gravely, on March 27. To Jane Toler (Fire) on the loss of her aunt, Mrs. Myrtle Minter.

THE HOME OF ANDY PHILLIPS (FIRE DEPT) WAS PARTIALLY DESTROYED BY FIRE IN THE EARLY HOURS OF MARCH 28. ANDY AND HIS GIRLFRIEND, BECKY, LOST ALMOST ALL THEIR POSSESSIONS, BUT THANKFULLY NO ONE WAS INJURED. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A DONATION OF MONEY (OR CLOTHING/HOUSEHOLD ITEMS), YOU MAY DROP OFF AT THE FIRE STATION OR CONTACT KAREN WALKER OR BRENDA PRILLAMAN.

HEALTH TIP FOR APRIL: When you're outside, take simple precautions to keep your skin safe and healthy. To better protect your skin, apply sunscreen, use bug repellent, and keep your skin clean.

Molly Shelton reports that Mr. R. Woods from 951 Banks Rd. called to say thank you to the two men who came to his neighbor's house on March 13 between 5:30-6:00PM and restored power for them. Mr. Woods said the gentleman living there is a paraplegic and his mother is elderly. He said the gentleman was in his bed and without electricity he would not have been able to get out of bed. Jimmy Rigney and Scott Errichetti were the two who responded to the call. Mr. Woods said they were there in just a few minutes and it only took about 5 minutes to clear up the problem. Great job, Jimmy and Scott!

John R. "Tripp" Smith III of Martinsville e-mailed Kathy Reed to get a schedule of when the AMP work session would play on MGTV. He also made the following comments: "I do make use of the channel. I will go online and follow the agenda while watching the council meetings. I can "attend" without having to drive uptown and park. I also read the information slides. It is a good way to keep abreast of things. Thanks for putting it all together. I appreciate the effort." Thank you, Information Services for the work you put into our television channel.



Join Jay Stout, Police Dept., in raising awareness and money for Multiple Sclerosis research. His wife, Amy was diagnosed with MS in 2000. Jay, Amy and their children would love to find a cure!

To donate or volunteer go to:

www.nationalmssociety.org/goto/178mpd

We had 13 City employees participant in the March supervisor training through the Chamber of Commerce: Chris Morris, Kathy Reed, Cindy Dickerson, David Johnston, Junior Heffinger, T J Dunbar, Steve Cannaday, Randy Gregory, Jimmy Blankenship, Daniel Morrison, Sharon Echols, Kimberly Boyd, and Wayne Davis.



The Employee Suggestion Committee is finalizing the list of suggestions which will be taken back to the Mayor and Vice-Mayor. Stay tuned for further updates.